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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2002, please amend the
above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 5 and 6 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please substitute the following amended claim(s) for corresponding claim(s)
previously presented. A copy of the amended claim(s) showing current revisions is
attached.

1. (Amended) A split grip control lever comprising:

a fixed base portion; and

a movable upper portion that is separately pivotable relative to the fixed base
portion, wherein the movable upper portion and the fixed base portion define a

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